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SUBJ: DOMINGOS AROUCA VISIT TO MALAWI

REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 344

1. BLANTYRE DAILY TIMES IN UNATTRIBUTED HEADLINE ARTICLE REPORTED MAY 17 THAT GROUP OF FORMER MOZAMBIQUE POLITICAL DETAINEES HAD LEFT LOURENCO MARQUES FOR CONTACTS WITH FRELIMO LEADERS IN DAR. AROUCA'S NAME NOT MENTIONED AMONG PARTICIPANTS WHICH INCLUDED CRAVEIRINHA, MALANGATANA VALENTE AND JOSEFARTE MACHEL. (ASSUME L-M GIVING FACTUAL COVERAGE.)

2. PORTUGUESE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES PROENCA HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT AROUCA WAS NOT INVITED ATTEND MALAWI KAMUZU DAY CELEBRATIONS UNTIL DISCOVERED ALREADY IN COUNTRY AS GUEST OF JORGE JARDIM'S "MAN IN MALAWI," PORTUGUESE HONORARY CONSUL JAIME DE SOUSA. DURING RECEPTION PROENCA SPOKE WITH AROUCA (A FORMER UNIVERSITY SCHOOLMATE). AROUCA REPORTEDLY SAID HE WAS UNCERTAIN JUST WHY HE HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO MALAWI, HAD NO PLANS FOR FURTHER TRAVEL, IN FACT WAS ANXIOUS RETURN
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MOZAMBIQUE FOR PERSONAL BUSINESS REASONS. AROUCA ALLEGEDLY

ADDED THAT HE AND HIS WIFE WISHED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO
LEAVE MOZAMBIQUE AND ESTABLISH NEW LIFE ELSEWHERE, HOPEFULLY
IN EUROPE.

3. PROENCA DESCRIBED EPISODE OF AROUCA PRESENCE MALAWI AS
GRANDSTAND PLAY BY JARDIM WITH PROBABLE AIM OF KEEPING BOTH
PRESIDENT BANDA AND JARDIM PROMINENTLY INVOLVED IN EVOLVING
MOZAMBIQUE SITUATION. (N.B. PROENCA AND PORTUGUESE EMBASSY
BLANTYRE ARE LARGELY OVERSHADOWED BY JARDIM-DE SOUSA COMBINATION
AND THERE IS LITTLE LOVE LOST BETWEEN THESE TWO PORTUGUESE
ELEMENTS.)
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